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**AMENDMENT B AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

This amendment for the patent application identified above is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 21, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for response that expires on December 21, 2005. Applicant submits this Amendment and Response within a 2-month statutory period.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Kindly amend this application as indicated herein.